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2                   UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
3                   WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
4                   AT SEATTLE

5                   UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

6                   Plaintiff,

7                   v.

8                   ANDREW TONG,

9                   Defendant.

10                  No. CR18-217 RSM

11                  ORDER GRANTING AGREED  
12                  MOTION TO PROCEED WITH PLEA  
13                  HEARING BY VIDEOCONFERENCE

14                  This Court has considered the Agreed Motion to Proceed with Plea Hearing by  
15                  Videoconference. Because Mr. Tong is out-of-custody and residing in the Portland,  
16                  Oregon vicinity and because the trial is soon set to commence and having the change of  
17                  plea take place before the trial allows the parties and the Court to most efficiently allocate  
18                  resources, the Court finds that the change of plea hearing cannot be further delayed  
19                  without serious harm to the interest of justice. Accordingly, it is therefore,

20                  ORDERED that the change of plea hearing should proceed as scheduled and take  
21                  place by videoconference.

22                  DONE this 11<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2020.

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24                  RICARDO S. MARTINEZ  
25                  CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE